The Lakewood Township Committee held a Meeting on Thursday, March 16, 2017 in the Lakewood Municipal Building, at 6:00 PM for the Workshop/Executive Session and 7:30 PM for the Public Meeting, with the following present:

Mayor.....Raymond Coles

Deputy Mayor......Menashe P. Miller

Committee Members...... Albert D. Akerman

Michael J. D'Elia

**Meir Lichtenstein** 

Municipal Manager.....Thomas Henshaw

Municipal Attorney.....Steve Secare, Esq.

Municipal Clerk...... Kathryn Hutchinson

Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided in accordance with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act, <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 10:4-6, and published in the Asbury Park Press on January 10, 2017 and revised via email on March 13, 2017.

**ROLL CALL** 

**CLOSED SESSION** 

Resolution No. 2017-119 Approved

**ROLL CALL** 

SALUTE TO THE FLAG AND PRAYER

#### **OPEN SESSION**

Motion by Committeeman Lichtenstein, second by Committeeman Akerman, to enter open session at 7:36pm. Motion carried.

# MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF WORK SHOP AND EXECUTIVE SESSION OF: March 2, 2017

Motion by Committeeman Akerman, second by Deputy Mayor Miller, and motion carried to approve the above Minutes. Committeeman D'Elia abstained.

## MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF REGULAR SESSION: March 2, 2017

Motion by Committeeman Akerman, second by Deputy Mayor Miller, and motion carried to approve the above Minutes. Committeeman D'Elia abstained.

**PUBLIC LAND SALE - None** 

**PRESENTATIONS –** Recognizing Mike Cava

Memorial and plaque for Debbie Bittman

## **RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES FOR DISCUSSION -**

Resolution Of The Township Of Lakewood, County Of Ocean, State Of New Jersey, Fixing The Annual Budget For The Lakewood Township Fire District Pursuant To N.J.S.A 40a:14-78.5.

Tom Hensaw, Township Manager, stated he reviewed the entire budget and stated that it is 1.2% below the 2% cap. He advised the Township Committee and the public that there was an overage in insurance and decided to make a \$10,000.00 cut in that area.

Mayor Coles opened the meeting to the public for discussion on the Fire Budget.

David Drukaroff, 1433 Laurelwood Avenue – Mr. Drukaroff stated that the Fire Commissioners have taken a lot of time to review their budget and even though voters may not agree, no cuts should be made.

Moshe Zeinhurst, 122 Elmhurst Boulevard – Mr. Zeinhurst agreed with the previous speaker but told the Township Committee that the portion of the budget that they wish to cut is a smart choice.

Bill Hobday, 30 Schoolhouse Lane – Mr. Hobday commented on the great work of the Lakewood Fire Department and acknowledged their importance. He stated he believes the budget should not be cut in anyway.

Shlomi Klein, 189 Chateau Drive – Mr. Klein spoke about his beliefs on the lack of manpower within the Fire Commissioners office and the difficulty fire trucks have reaching emergency situations due to narrow roadways.

Meir Cohen, 1168 Evergreen Avenue – Mr. Cohen discussed the amount of positivity he has seen and heard regarding the 2017 Fire Budget. He commended the Township Manager, Tom Henshaw, on his hard work and good decision making when handling this budget.

Seeing no one else wished to be heard, Mayor Coles closed the meeting to the public.

Committeeman D'Elia took a moment to commend the hard work the Board of Fire Commissioners has done regarding the Fire Department and their budget. He thanked them for the fine job.

Motion by Committeeman Lichtenstein, second by Deputy Mayor Miller, to approve the above Resolution.

On Roll Call: Affirmative: Committeeman Akerman, Committeeman Lichtenstein, Deputy

Mayor Miller, Mayor Coles

Abstain: Committeeman D'Elia

Resolution 2017-120 approved.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Comments from the public will be heard for a limit of one (1) hour. Each speaker will have four (4) minutes and shall be limited to one time at the podium.

Mayor Coles opened the meeting to the public.

Joyce Blay, 311 Floral Way, Toms River – Ms. Blay questioned the move of the Lakewood Community Center and the funding of the Lakewood shuttlebus.

David Drukaroff, 1433 Laurelwood Avenue – Mr. Drukaroff mentioned the workshop for Lakewood residents to discuss traffic complaints. He mentioned the idea of telecommuting to work and school to reduce traffic struggles.

Moshe Zienhurst, 122 Elmhurst Boulevard – Mr. Zienhurst questioned the resolution amending the Lakewood shuttlebus. He discussed the Planning Board and the proper allotment of parking spots for new construction sites.

Bill Hobday, 30 Schoolhouse Lane – Mr. Hobday discussed the workshop that was held by the Township and Maser Consulting regarding traffic issues in Lakewood. He mentioned his concern with the intersection at Chestnut Street and New Hampshire Avenue.

Committeeman Lichtenstein stated the Department of Traffic has looked at this intersection and the Township is working to getting it fixed.

Shlomi Klein, 189 Chateau Drive – Mr. Klein discussed his beliefs on the Planning Board and the Engineering Department.

Mayor Coles stated a meeting has been held with the Planning Board and their attorneys. The issues regarding sidewalks were discussed as well as the implementation of proper language on applications.

Shlomo Reniki, 115 2<sup>nd</sup> Street – Mr. Reniki discussed the parking lot and dumpsters by his business and the Ocean Health Initiative building on Second Street.

Mayor Coles stated he has been working with the Department of Public Works to enhance trash pickup services. He also asked Tom Henshaw to look into whether there is a proper fire lane in this area.

David Mizrahi, 111 North Lake Drive – Mr. Mizrahi spoke about the dumpster and parking issues in the downtown area of Lakewood.

Aaron Hirsch, resident of Lakewood – Mr. Hirsch questioned the hiring process of firms and companies for Lakewood Township, specifically T&M.

Mayor Coles stated T&M has been working with Lakewood for many years and they have all proper qualifications to serve the town.

Nechama Goldstein, 31 Kingsfield Drive – Mrs. Goldstein asked how to get a "No Parking" sign for the corner on Carey Street and Madison Avenue.

Committeeman Lichtenstein stated the Department of Public Works can place a sign if it falls under Title 39.

Mayor Coles asked the Township Manager to speak with the Department of Public Works in regards to this issue as well as the painting of curbs along Madison Avenue.

Seeing no one else wished to be heard, Mayor Coles closed the meeting to the public.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

The items listed below are considered to be routine by the Township of Lakewood and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no formal discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, this item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

- Resolution Of The Township Of Lakewood, County Of Ocean, State Of New Jersey Authorizing The Rejection Of All Bids For Cell Tower Lease Pursuant To And In Accordance With N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 Et Seq.
  - Resolution 2017-121
- Resolution Of The Township Of Lakewood, County Of Ocean, State Of New Jersey, Releasing A Performance Guarantee Posted By PAZ Developers, LLC., (Buttell Avenue) In Connection With SD #2036AA, Block 419, Lot 3.03 Resolution 2017-122
- 3. Resolution Of The Township Of Lakewood, County Of Ocean, State Of New Jersey, Releasing A Performance Guarantee Posted By PAZ Developers, LLC., (Buttell Avenue) In Connection With SD #2046AA, Block 189.30, Lot 154

Resolution 2017-123

4. Resolution Of the Township Of Lakewood, County Of Ocean, State Of New Jersey, Releasing A Performance Guarantee Posted By Joe Parker Homes, LLC., In Connection With ZB#3723, (Joe Parker Road), Block 189.03, Lots 37-40 and 172

Resolution 2017-124

- Resolution Of The Township Of Lakewood, County Of Ocean, State Of New Jersey, Declaring Default of Letter Of Credit Posted By County Apple, LLC., For ZB #3739 (Honey Court), Block 171, Lots 4, 5 and 6
   Resolution 2017-125
- Resolution Of The Township Of Lakewood, County Of Ocean, State Of New Jersey, Authorizing Emergency Temporary Appropriations For The 2017 Budget

Resolution 2017-126

 Resolution Of The Township Of Lakewood, County Of Ocean, State Of New Jersey, Authorizing The Mayor And Or His Designee To Sign Completion And Settlement Agreement With Bond Safe Guard Insurance Company (Horizons At Woodlake)

Resolution 2017-127

8. Resolution Of The Township Of Lakewood, County Of Ocean, State Of New Jersey, Reducing the Performance Guarantee (First Reduction) Posted By Pine Belt Enterprises, Inc., In Connection With SP #2069 (Route #88), For Block 669, Lots 10, 23 and 91

Resolution 2017-128

9. Resolution Of The Township Of Lakewood, County Of Ocean, State Of New Jersey, Releasing A Performance Guarantee Posted By Lakewood Investments, LLC., In Connection With SD #1624,(New Central Avenue) Block 11.05, Lots 77 and 80

**Resolution 2017-129** 

 Resolution Of The Township Of Lakewood, County Of Ocean, State Of New Jersey, Reducing The Performance Guarantee (Second Reduction) Posted By Prospect Acquisition, LLC., In Connection With ZB# 3736B, (Prospect Vines Phase 3) For Block 490, Lot 10

Resolution 2017-130

- Resolution Of The Township Of Lakewood, County Of Ocean, State Of New Jersey, Releasing A Performance Guarantee Posted By Yeshivas Shagas Aryeh, In Connection With SP# 1953, (West Cross Street), Block 251.03, Lot 19 Resolution 2017-131
- Resolution Of The Township Of Lakewood, County Of Ocean, State Of New Jersey, Authorizing NJ HAND To Temporarily Post Cash In Lieu Of A Bond For The Construction Of Lakewood Commons Phase IV Resolution 2017-132

13. Resolution Of The Township Of Lakewood, County Of Ocean, State Of New Jersey, Authorizing The Mayor And Or His Designee To Execute An Amended Agreement Between Lakewood Township and The Lakewood Community Shuttle

Resolution 2017-133

Motion by Deputy Mayor Miller, second by Committeeman Lichtenstein, to approve Resolution Nos. 1-13 on the Consent Agenda.

On Roll Call: Affirmative: Committeeman Akerman, Committeeman D'Elia, Committeeman Lichtenstein, Deputy Mayor Miller, Mayor Coles

Resolutions 2017-121 through 2017-133 approved.

## ORDINANCES FOR SECOND READING:

 Ordinance Of The Township Of Lakewood, County Of Ocean, State Of New Jersey, Bond Ordinance Providing For Various Capital Improvements, Appropriating \$10,000,000 Therefore And Authorizing The Issuance Of \$9,500,000 Bonds And Notes To Finance A Portion Of The Costs Thereof, Authorized In And By The Township Of Lakewood, In The County Of Ocean, New Jersey

Read by title only for second reading.

Mayor Coles opened the meeting to the public.

Shlomi Klein, 189 Chateau Drive – Mr. Klein asked how the Township determines which roads need capital improvements.

Committeeman Lichtenstein stated in previous years they worked within the Township and the Department of Public Works to make these decisions. He commented on the hiring of Maser Consulting and the use of their traffic studies to decide which roads need it most. Committeeman Lichtenstein also mentioned working with the State for the implementation of sidewalks on Route 9.

Mr. Klein mentioned waiting until Maser Consulting finishes their studies until the funding is dispersed to improve the roads.

Mayor Coles stated this is a multi-year project and sidewalks are needed all over Lakewood, not just the dense areas.

Seeing no one else wished to be heard, Mayor Coles closed the meeting to the public.

The above Ordinance was offered by Committeeman Lichtenstein, second by Committeeman D'Elia.

On Roll Call: Affirmative: Committeeman Akerman, Committeeman D'Elia, Committeeman Lichtenstein, Deputy Mayor Miller, Mayor Coles

Ordinance 2017-4 adopted on second reading.

## ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READING – Second Reading and Public Hearing Scheduled for April 6, 2017.

Ordinance Of The Township Of Lakewood, County Of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Amending And Supplementing Chapter XI, Specifically Section 11-13 Entitled "Parking Prohibited At All Times On Certain Streets" (America Way Between Cedarbridge And New Hampshire)

Read by title only for first reading.

The above Ordinance was offered by Committeeman Lichtenstein, second by Committeeman Akerman.

On Roll Call: Affirmative: Committeeman Akerman, Committeeman D'Elia, Committeeman Lichtenstein, Deputy Mayor Miller, Mayor Coles

Ordinance 2017-12 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on April 6, 2017.

An Ordinance Of The Township Of Lakewood, County Of Ocean, State Of New Jersey, Amending And Supplementing Chapter XVIII Of The Revised General Ordinances Of The Township Of Lakewood, Specifically Article IX (Zoning Districts And Regulations), Section 19-903 D.1. (f) (Wholesale Service Zone B-4)(Wood Working)

Read by title only for first reading.

The above Ordinance was offered by Committeeman Akerman, second by Deputy Mayor Miller.

On Roll Call: Affirmative: Committeeman Akerman, Committeeman D'Elia, Committeeman Lichtenstein, Deputy Mayor Miller, **Mayor Coles** 

Ordinance 2017-13 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on April 6, 2017.

Ordinance Of The Township Of Lakewood, County Of Ocean, State Of New Jersey, Pursuant To N.J.S.A. 40A:21-1 Et. Seq., Granting Abatement To Local Property Taxes To 1205 Paco Way LLC., For Facilities Located At Block 1160, Lot 383, (1205 Paco Way) And Authorizing The Mayor And Or His Designee And The Township Clerk To Execute Any And All Documents Necessary And Proper To Enter Into A Tax Abatement Agreement

Read by title only for first reading.

The above Ordinance was offered by Committeeman Akerman, second by Deputy Mayor Miller.

On Roll Call: Affirmative: Committeeman Akerman, Committeeman D'Elia, Committeeman Lichtenstein, Deputy Mayor Miller, Mayor Coles

## Ordinance 2017-14 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on April 6, 2017.

4. An Ordinance Of The Township Of Lakewood, County Of Ocean, State Of New Jersey, Authorizing The Private Sale And Conveyance Of Block 161 Lot 2 Lying Within The Township Of Lakewood, County Of Ocean, State Of New Jersey, Pursuant To N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13, Et Seq., to The Lakewood Development Corporation For Nominal Consideration (20 Fourth Street).

Read by title only for first reading.

The above Ordinance was offered by Committeeman Akerman, second by Deputy Mayor Miller.

On Roll Call: Affirmative: Committeeman Akerman, Committeeman D'Elia, Committeeman Lichtenstein, Deputy Mayor Miller, Mayor Coles

Ordinance 2017-15 adopted on first reading. Second reading and public hearing to be held on April 6, 2017.

## **CORRESPONDCE - Parks and Events**

Per schedule of nine (9) parks and events requests, attached hereto and made a part hereof.

Motion by Deputy Mayor Miller, second by Committeeman Akerman to accept and process the above correspondence.

## MOTION TO APPROVE BILL LIST OF: March 15, 2017

Motion by Committeeman Lichtenstein, second by Deputy Mayor Miller, to approve the above bill list.

On Roll Call: Affirmative: Committeeman Akerman, Committeeman D'Elia, Committeeman Lichtenstein, Deputy Mayor Miller, Mayor Coles.

Bill List of March 15, 2017 Approved

## **COMMENTS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

Committeeman Akerman thanked Maser Consulting for their hard work and efforts.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Deputy Mayor Miller, second by Committeeman Lichtenstein, to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 8:34pm.